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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Monday, September 15, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED	October 20, 2008

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ralph Robinson, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding
Fran Franklin, Professional Member
Barbara Reed, Public Member
Louise Allen Frazier, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Philip Thompson, Professional Member, **Vice President**
Diane Postell, Professional Member, **Secretary**
John Horsman, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Gail Levinson, Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware
Julie Jenks Zorach, Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Robinson called the meeting to order at 9:18 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the July 21, 2008 minutes for approval. Dr. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Reed, to approve the minutes as amended. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sign Opinion and Order for Sachin Karnik

The Board reviewed the Order, prepared by Ms. Kelly, concerning Sachin Karnik. All members in attendance affixed their signatures to the Order.

Review Proposed Changes to Section 4.0 of Rules and Regulations

The Board reviewed a draft of proposed changes to section 4.0 of the rules and regulations. After a lengthy discussion, the Board suggested additional changes. Ms. Kelly will make the suggested revisions and submit a new draft for review. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to review the revised draft at the October meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Elizabeth Mavindidze

The Board reviewed Ms. Mavindidze's application to sit for the ASWB exam. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Re-Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Karen McCall

The Board reviewed Ms. McCall's re-application to sit for the ASWB exam. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Caroline Green

The Board reviewed Ms. Green's application for licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Laurel Kentfield-Ciccone

The Board reviewed Ms. Kentfield-Ciccone's application for licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Maria Bobes

The Board reviewed Ms. Bobe's application for licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to table the application for additional information regarding supervision. Ms. Bobes' one-to-one supervision time does not appear to meet the guidelines. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Nicole Pimble

The Board reviewed Ms. Nicole Pimble's application for licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

Ms. Kelly advised the Board that House Bill 36 passed. HB36 gives the Board the ability to issue cease and desist orders for unlicensed practice. The Board will also be able to impose monetary penalties for those who do not stop practicing after the order is issued.

CORRESPONDENCE

ASWB Annual Meeting Information

Ms. Slaughter advised the Board of the upcoming ASWB Annual Meeting dates and location. It was decided that Dr. Franklin would attend this meeting.

ASWB Letter and Report Regarding Bylaws Amendment Proposals

Ms. Slaughter provided the Board with a copy of a letter from the ASWB and a copy of their report regarding bylaws amendment proposals. No Board action was required.

Memorandum from James Collins Regarding 145th General Assembly, 1st Legislative Session

Ms. Slaughter advised the Board about a memorandum sent by Division Director, James Collins, regarding the 145th General Assembly, 1st Legislative Session. In the memorandum Mr. Collins asked that any board wishing to make legislative changes during the upcoming legislative session should respond to him by November 18th with draft legislation. A copy of the memorandum was provided to the Board members.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Zorach provided the Board feedback regarding language in the proposed changes to section 4.0 of the rules and regulations. Ms. Zorach suggested that section 4.2 state "simultaneous or peer supervision is not acceptable to the board." She also questioned why section 4.3 was deleted.

Ms. Levinson spoke to the Board regarding the need to change the Board's statute from a title act to a practice act. She doesn't feel that HB36 will help the social work profession much because the Board does not have jurisdiction over MSWs practicing independently without being licensed, as long as they do not use the title of LCSW. She feels that the Board's statute needs to be changed from a title act to a practice act to allow the Board to have proper jurisdiction over the profession.

Ms. Zorach also spoke regarding the need to change the statute from a title act to a practice act. She advised that criminal court isn't able to help if the victim doesn't come forward, which they often do not.

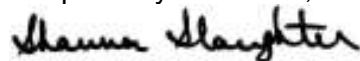
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on October 20, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II
Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners